



THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE LORD MAYOR

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Celebration Dinner and Concert 15th December 2021
In the presence of HRH The Duke of Kent KG
Mansion House Walbrook City of London

10th November 2021

I am delighted to confirm that HRH The Duke of Kent has accepted my invitation to attend a Dinner and Concert at The Mansion House on Wednesday 15th December.

Last year, a tour of Livery Halls and City Schools was scheduled to take place to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Beethoven. However, due to the lockdown, the concerts were cancelled, but due to the kind benefaction of the Master of the Stationers' Company Trevor Fenwick, the Beethoven Symphonies were recorded albeit without the attendance of an audience and with an orchestra that were socially distanced. The Ninth Symphony was recorded here at Mansion House under the Baton of Sir Mark Elder.

As we begin to return to normality so must the performing arts rebuild its audiences for live performance, and I am especially pleased that The Hanover Band have rescheduled their work in The City of London next year celebrating the 225th anniversary of Franz Schubert. In similar vein to the previous tour, all nine Schubert symphonies will be performed throughout 2022 in nine Livery Halls across The City.

The purpose of this letter is to seek your support for The Hanover Band's initiative by attending a very special Dinner and Concert at The Mansion House next month. The concert will feature extracts from Handel's Messiah and a guest appearance from Soprano Danielle De Neise who will perform Arias from Handel's Rinaldo with the Orchestra.

Tickets for this event are appropriately priced at £300 per person or £2,500 per table of ten. The event will commence with a Champagne Reception at 6.30pm followed by the Concert an hour later and Diner at 8.15. Tickets are available from thehanoverband.com

The Rt Hon The Lord Mayor of the City of London
Alderman William Russell

The Lord Mayor Elect of the City of London
Alderman Vincent Keaveny